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Post-Operative Care Following Composite Fills

When anesthetic has been used, your lips, teeth and tongue may be numb for several hours after the appointment. Avoid chewing until numbness has completely worn off. It is easy to bite or burn your tongue or lip while numb.

You may take any over the counter pain reliever for tenderness or discomfort. You may take aspirin or Ibuprofen (Advil or Tylenol), unless you are allergic to these medications or have a medical condition that would prevent you from taking these medications. This will help with any soreness at the injection sites where your anesthetic was administered.

It is normal to experience some hot, cold and pressure sensitivity following the placement of composite fillings. Hot or cold sensitivity may linger for several weeks after the placement of the fillings. Usually these symptoms will subside over time. If you find you have pain please contact our office.

Your new fillings are fully hardened before you leave the office; however we recommend you chew on the opposite side if possible until the anesthetic has worn off.

One of the most common problems following filling placement with local anesthesia is an incorrect bite. While we will try to make sure your bite is natural using paper to mark your teeth before you leave, because you are numb it can be difficult for you to feel if your bite is off or not. If your bite feels uneven or "high" please call our office so we can get you scheduled to make the necessary adjustments. Please do not wait long to have your bite adjusted as even a tiny high spot can lead to severe sensitivity, pain, or a toothache.

Should you have pain that does not subside, swelling, or anything you are unsure of please contact our office right away.

Our office can be reached after-hours at 702-327-8795.